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For : A PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN EXTRACT WITH
CAROTENOIDS, UV ABSORPTION ANTIBACTERIAL AND pH
INDICATING PROPERTIES FROM A DEEP SEA BACTERIUM

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE ACCOMPANYING DIVISIONAL
APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), SUBSTITUTE
SPECIFICATION, AND FORMAL DRAWINGS**

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in connection with the
above-identified divisional application filed concurrently
herewith.

This Preliminary Amendment cancels claims 11-12.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
1-19, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Please amend the subject application as follows: